

Minutes

UWF Staff Senate

Meeting

via Google Meet

University of West Florida

March 9, 2021

The meeting of the UWF Staff Senate was called to order at 1:30 pm by Staff Senate Vice President Alycia Grieco.

Attendance was taken by online participants on Google Meet. The following Senators were present:

Present: Zachary Farrington, Alycia Grieco, Brooke Karas, Deborah Cluff, Elizabeth Bennett, Gabriel Esmurdoc, Jamie Sprague, Jennifer Griffin, Christina Joseph, Adrienne Lewis, Audrey Liss, Ethan Henley, Jesse Hoek, Larry King, , Sierra Ebert, Tony Hayes, Angie Quenan, Michelle Riendeau, Monti Stone, Leslie Wyrosdick.

Proxy Attendance: N/A

Absent: N/A

Guests: Dr. Martha Saunders– University President, Jamie Sprague-Human Resources, Gabriele Nokes, Marisa Elmore, Heather Seitz.

## **Administrative Reports**

1. **Executive Report – Dr. Martha Saunders** Updates for the UWF campus and community were provided by University President Dr. Martha Saunders.
  - We are looking at June 1st with 75% of employees back on campus and by August 9th with 100%. Employees who wish to continue working remotely will need to submit a form through Human Resources for remote work.
  - We continue to watch the budget and are currently awaiting Legislature updates regarding budget cuts. We have made an 8.5% permanent reduction to our budget. There are a number of pieces of legislation that we are watching including Bright Futures and will keep campus updated.
  - We are planning in-person Commencement on May 8th at the Community Maritime Park with social distancing guidelines in place and limited tickets available.
  - Freshman orientation will be online again this summer.
2. **Human Resources – Jamie Sprague**
  - The updated volunteer form is available on the HR website. Please discard old versions of the form.

- The Benefits Fair will be virtual again this year. Dates will be announced.
- MetLife has not been renewed for one of the ORP providers. Coverage will end May 14, 2021. ORP members with existing MetLife Investors accounts have been notified to choose from among the remaining ORP service providers.

### **3. Approval of Minutes and Treasury Report**

Staff Senate Vice President asked Senators to have previously reviewed the February meeting minutes.

Motioned by: Deb Cluff.

Seconded by: Ethan Henley.

Motion passed unanimously.

Treasury Report. Textbook Scholarship – awarded \$591.13.

### **4. Supervisor of Elections**

Senator Hayes announced there are three openings for Staff Senators. Senator Hayes also nominated Alycia Grieco for Staff Senate President.

Seconded by: Ethan Henley.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **5. Committee Reports**

### **6. New Business**

- United Way Campaign - \$15,000 raised for the month of February. We are waiting on the final number from United Way.
- Staff Senate Retreat – planning to hold a virtual retreat summer.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **Open Forum**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Quenan, Secretary

**Staff Senate Executive Board**

Vice President- Alycia Grieco

Supervisor of Elections- Tony Hayes

Secretary- Angie Quenan

Treasurer- Brooke Karas

Senator at Large- Zachary Farrington

Communications- Leslie Wyrosdick